

The Coyotelog

AF Outstanding Unit - 2000, 1985, 1979

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Inspections, inspections, inspections

By Tech Sgt Greg Burnetta
190th Public Affairs

During the month of March, the 190th Air Refueling Wing was inundated with five inspections - four of them in one week! "This is a schedule of events few, if any, Wings have ever experienced," said Chief Master Sgt. Paul Wirtz, 190th Self Inspection Team.

The week of March 14, which included a four-day UTA for 190th members, had the Unit Compliance Inspection (UCI), Maintenance Standardization Evaluation Program Inspection (MSEP), Health Services Inspection (HSI), and the O-Plan 8044 Inspection. After a few days off, the Environmental Safety Occupational Health Compliance (ESOH CAMP) Inspection began on March 28.

Health Services Inspection

It took four full days for the 190th Medical Group to be inspected. They were inspected in approximately 57 different areas and received an overall grade of "satisfactory." The various areas in which they were inspected included medical readiness planning and deployment processing, force fitness, in-garrison medical operations and training.

"We missed an overall "excellent" rating by two points," said Chief Master Sgt. Howard L. Steanson, 190th Medical Group Superintendent. "It's like studying for an A and getting a B."

"It's a difficult and critical look at our strengths and weaknesses so we can be better prepared for the future," said Col. Dennis P. Lawlor, 190th Medical Group Commander.

The medical group received an overall "outstanding" grade for their medical training. Col. James Bloom, Air Force Inspections and Chief of the HSI Inspection Team said that this was the first time he'd ever awarded or even heard of any unit receiving an "outstanding" grade in overall training in more than 90 inspections he's done.

Unit Compliance Inspection

A UCI is conducted in order to assess areas mandated by laws as well as mission areas identified by senior Air Force leadership as critical or important to assure the health and performance of organizations.

The UCI involved every section of the 190th ARW except Maintenance Group and the Judge Advocate's Office. The Air National Guard's MSEP team inspects the Maintenance Group.

Staff Sgt. Sandra Foster, 190th Financial Management Quality Assurance Manager, was the Wing's Self Inspection Monitor for her office. She was one of several 190th members who visited the 134th ARW in Knoxville, TN., last September. The 134th ARW had scored well for their UCI and the 190th visited them in order to gain insight for preparing for our UCI.

The 134th suggested that Foster study the checklists, develop questions from them as well as practice answering those questions.

She and Capt. James L. Wehrli, 190th Comptroller, studied the checklists and separated out eight different areas within the overall Financial Office function. She and Wehrli called in members of each of the eight functional areas and gave them a list of potential questions with answers. This allowed the Finance Office to become familiar with the questions as well as providing them with an opportunity to practice answering them.

"I think that because we did that, we were prepared and things went very smoothly for us," said Foster. She said prior to the inspectors arriving, she and Wehrli prepared notebooks for their

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Where there's smoke...

Members of the AMC IG team inspect the 190th Fire Department.
(Photo by 2nd Lt Joe Blubaugh)

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Coyotes prove Standard of Excellence

By Lt. Col Tony DeJesus

190th Maintenance Sq Commander

The 190th Maintenance Group proved they are one of the top Maintenance Organizations in the ANG. From 16 March -21 March they were visited by the ANG Maintenance Standardization Evaluation Team (MSET).

The team was on base to evaluate over 14,000 maintenance Compliance and Standardization Requirements checklists items (C&SRL). In addition they conducted 186 personnel, special (no-notice), and quality verification inspections.

The comprehensive nature of the inspection is designed to provide the unit with an accurate assessment of their overall compliance with the ANG Maintenance directive ANGI 21-101.

The 190th Maintenance Group excelled with a 98 percent compliance rating on their C&SRL checklist items. This was 3 percent higher than any MSEP team inspection so far. The Group also achieved an impressive 89 percent pass rate on their formal evaluations.

The Team Chief, Col (Ret) Michael Kelly stated "the 190th Maintenance Group can be proud of the dramatic improvement and standard of excellence achieved since their July 03 Staff Assistance Visit (SAV). The group has institutionalized a solid work ethic built upon a culture of technical data compliance, safe work practices, and obvious unit pride." In addition he was impressed that personnel were waiting each morning for his team.

Maintenance Group Commanders Col Mike Parsel and Lt Col Derek Rogers were very pleased with the results and commended the group for the many hours of overtime and weekend days spent preparing for the inspection. They enjoyed hearing impressive comments from the inspectors about the competency and quality of work from both our traditional and full-time force.

There were two "Best Practices" and eight "Outstanding performers" recognized by the Team Chief. These individuals demonstrated that through the team work from their fellow "Coy-



Lt. Col Tony DeJesus
Maintenance Sq Commander

otes" their area was one the inspectors wanted to recognize.

The ANG Team wanted to thank all members of the 190th ARW for their outstanding support during the evaluation. ANG Representative, Major Justin Smith stated the welcome and computer set up was the most impressive he has seen in all his inspections.

Well Done Coyotes!!



51st Annual National Guard Association of Kansas Conference

April 15 - 17, 2005

Manhattan Holiday Inn

530 Richards Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502

Registration information available on-line at: www.ngaks.org

Registrations are due by April 4, 2005



TAG Officer
Professional
Development

Officer Professional Development
Presented by The Adjutant
General's Staff

Regency Ballroom
Manhattan Holiday Inn
1000 - 1500

(This activity is not part of the business session of the NGAKS)

KNG Family Program Volunteer Awards



(Photo by Jenni Guerrero)



(Photo submitted)

- The 190th ARW Wing Family Program was the winner of the 2004 Air National Guard Family Readiness Award.
- The 190th Family Program Office was the recipient of the Kansas National Guard Website of the Year-www.coyotefamily.com (Army and Air award)
- Dixie Herken was recognized as the Kansas Air National Guard Volunteer of the Year.
- The Kansas Air National Guard Family Readiness and Support Award Winners were TSgt Mario and Jenni Guerrero and their family.
- The Kansas National Guard Military Liaison of the Year was presented to Capt. Chris Hill. (Army and Air award)
- Continuing service awards were presented to Dixie Herken, Jenni Guerrero, Mario Guerrero, Tina Perkins, Barb Lacore, and Jennifer Hill.



COYOTES SUPPORT KANSAS DAY

Staff Sgts Dennis Lane, Josh Gorski, and Aaustin Bornman with Governor Kathleen Sebelius at Kansas Day at the Capitol. The trio talked with children from around the state and stood with the Governor for the national anthem and the singing of "Happy Birthday" to the state.

(Photo submitted)

Air / Army Jointness

190th Public Affairs Officer deploys to Japan

By Tech Sgt Greg Burnetta
190th Public Affairs

2nd Lt. Joe Blubaugh thought his Army career was behind him after serving 12 years in the Army Reserves. He came full circle as he deployed to Camp Higashi-Chitose, Japan for two weeks in support of the 35th Infantry Division (ID) for Yama Sakura 47. He served as the unit's Public Affairs Officer.

Blubaugh was part of a contingent of 171 soldiers and airman assigned to the 35th ID for the exercise. 94 personnel deployed to Japan and 77 controlled the exercise from Ft. Lewis.

The 35th ID is an Army National Guard unit headquartered at Leavenworth, Kansas. Units from the Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Illinois, Arkansas and Mississippi National

Guards were attached to the 35th ID for the exercise.

Yama Sakura 47 is a bi-lateral, computer-based simulation to improve U.S.-Japan military interoperability and reinforce their ability to work together in a military environment. In the scenario, coalition forces fought a fictitious enemy who invaded Japan's northern island of Hokkaido.

Soldiers and Airmen from U.S. Army Japan, I Corps and more than 30 states, as well as members of the Japan Self-Defense Force, participated in the exercise, making it one of the largest annual exercises in the Pacific theater.

Blubaugh, who was tasked with working with both real world and exercise media, was glad to get to opportunity to work with the Army again. "Yama

Sakura was a wonderful experience," he said. "I think it's great that the military is focusing on improving interoperability between the various components."

MG James Mason, 35th ID Commander, felt the exercise gave the soldiers and airmen a great training opportunity. "We were given the opportunity to build a team and work together with different components." Across the board at every level, every branch and every rank we've been able to hone our fighting skills," he said.

Although the focus was on the mission, there was time for Blubaugh to learn more about his Japanese counterparts. "The Japanese culture is simply amazing," he said. "They are so polite, giving and meticulous. There is a lot we could learn from them," he added.

Enrollment now open for STARBASE summer academies

By Kim Mittermeier
Kansas STARBASE

STARBASE ~ Topeka is now accepting enrollment for its exciting new Summer Student Academies! If you have a child who has completed 4th, 5th or 6th grade who loves math, science and technology or even more important one who HATES math or science, STARBASE is the summer learning program for them.

STARBASE, (Science and Technology Academies Reinforcing Basic Aviation and Space Exploration) is a U.S. Air Force youth program operated through the Kansas National Guard and governed by the Department of Defense. The mission of Kansas STARBASE is to add value to Kansas' youth through math, science, technology and personal growth skills.

There are four Academies scheduled for the summer of 2005. One traditional STARBASE Academy, one called Amelia's Angels, that is for Ladies Only and two STARBASE Robotics Academies.

The Traditional STARBASE Academy will cover the curriculum of the school year Academies. This will feature: teamwork, Newton's Laws of Motion, properties of air, Bernoulli's Principle, forces of flight, model rocketry, flight simulators and numerous tours of base facilities including the awesome KC-135.

Amelia's Angels is a similar academy but will be for girls only with all of the instructors being women pilots, jet engine mechanics, security police officers, crew chiefs, etc. One day will feature a mentor's luncheon where each of the girls will have lunch with a woman who has a career in the field that the student is interested in. We are also working with NASA to host a visit from Eileen Collins, the first female Space Shuttle Commander.

STARBASE Robotics will feature the Lego® Mindstorms™ Robotics System. Students will learn how to build and program robots using similar technology to the Mars Exploration Rovers that are currently roaming the Red Planet. This academy requires that all enrolled students have completed 4th grade AND a Traditional STARBASE or Amelia's Angels Academy.

Any Active, Reserve, or Guard personnel's immediate child can attend STARBASE at no charge. The second



Senior Airman Lindsay Trevino explains her job in the Jet Engine Shop to "Amelia's Angels" students.
(photo provided)

academy for the same child or different child from the same family attending during the same summer will be \$45. For the third and subsequent academies the fee will be \$90 per academy.

If you would like to enroll your child in one or more of these academies simply fill out the pre-registration form (available on the STARBASE website) and return it **with a copy of your child's Military ID card** to the STARBASE office through base distribution or mail it to: Kansas STARBASE, 190th ARW, 5920 SE Coyote Drive, Topeka, KS 66619-5370.

Feel free to call the STARBASE office, Monday - Friday with any questions at 861-4196 or 861-4592.

SUMMER 2005 STARBASE ACADEMY SCHEDULE

All Academies are Held from 9:00 – 3:00 Monday – Friday
Download registration forms at: www.kansasstarbase.org

June 20 – 24
Traditional
STARBASE
Academy

July 11 – 15
Amelia's Angels
Ladies Only
Academy

July 25 – 29
STARBASE
Robotics*
Academy

August 8 - 12
STARBASE
Robotics*
Academy

* Prerequisite: Students must have completed 4th grade **AND** attended a Traditional or Amelia's Angels Academy or a School Year Academy.

190th unit patch rich in history

By Master Sgt. Bill Gilliland
190th ARW Historian

Starting next month, your BDU will proudly display the unit's patch. Although the patch is new, it has evolved from a long history of unit patches that dates back to the late 1940's.

Shortly after being established in Kansas, members of the 117th Tac-

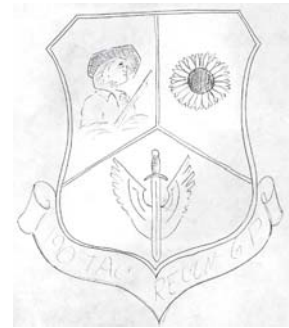


tical Reconnaissance Group felt that they needed a unit patch to identify themselves. To some extent, the 117th inherited its first unit insignia from its predecessor in Pennsylvania. That unit had used an owl motif, but changes were needed to reflect the Kansas unit's role as a photoreconnaissance unit. The owl remained as part of the motif, but CMSgt (Ret) Duane Zerger of Maintenance added radio and photo equipment to reflect the current mission.

On 14 October 1962, the 117th ceased to exist as a stand-alone unit. The unit was designated as the 190th Tactical Reconnaissance Group. The 117th remained as the flying squadron within the group. It was decided that it was time for the unit to have an original patch of its own. It needed to reflect both the mission and the State of Kansas.

Air Force regulations would have to be followed and that presented some difficulty. Specific aircraft could not be part of the design, preventing use of the unit's association with the B-57. Similarly, the state could not be mentioned explicitly, though a symbol of the state might be used. Also, regulations required that the predominant colors had to be blue and yellow and only a few other colors were allowed.

Within these restrictions, CMSgt (Ret) Zerger starting working on a new patch using his ideas and those of the members of the 190th. Various symbols that represented Kansas were considered. Wheat stalks, sunflowers or tornados seemed to be the consensus. They also wanted a symbol representing the fighting capacity of the unit. A miniature TAC (Tactical Air Command) insignia was considered, as was a minuteman, to

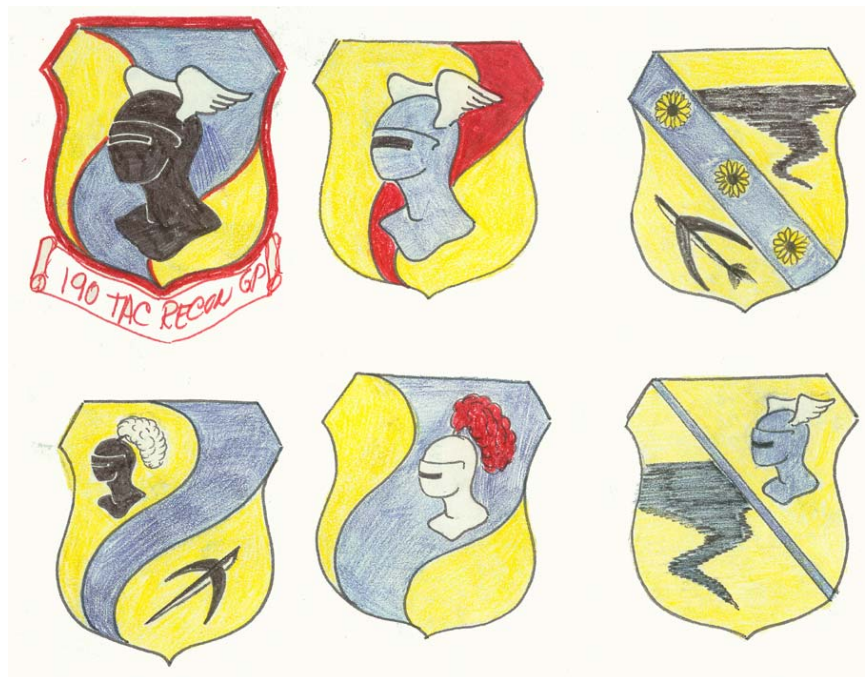


Among the final prototypes was a shield divided into three parts with a minuteman, a sunflower, and a TAC winged sword.

represent both fighting capacity and our heritage as an Air Guard unit.

CMSgt (Ret) Zerger, inspired in part by a design on his own family crest, favored a helmet. It soon became clear that it would have to be a closed helmet so that the compli-

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Designers of the unit patch were faced with many Air Force regulations. Specific aircraft could not be used and the state could not be mentioned. In addition, blue and yellow had to be the main colors used in the design.

Inspections, Caught on Film



Self inspect your life

By Tonya Van Sickle

Wing Family Program Coordinator

Maybe inspection is not your favorite word right now. But all of us need to take time to make sure that basic things in our life are in order. Most of us think of the rushed time before a deployment as the best time to pull together all of our information and get ready to go. Best practice would actually be making sure all of your personal information is in order at least once a year. Maybe when you "spring forward" your clocks, or "fall back" you could run down a quick checklist for your family and yourself.

This summer and fall many of us will have short little trips, annual training, or schools that we will be attending. Whether you are around the corner or around the world, sometimes things come up that need a quick response that you are not able to provide. Your Wing Family Program Office does have free military organizers that you are welcome to come pick up that will assist you in your planning.

Some common problems that many people overlook is making sure a friend or family member knows where a second set of keys are for your car. It is also important for somebody to know where all your car, home, or rental insurance papers are in case of an emergency. Speaking of rental insurance, make sure you have it year around, not just when you are out of town. Most people can obtain a rental policy for around \$15.00 per month. It is a small price to pay when

you may have to otherwise replace everything you own.

Some issues that often arise with children may be finding a reliable babysitter to help back up your full time care. If your spouse has a work emergency, and your back up babysitter has a conflict, you can have quite a situation to deal with from far away. Also, making sure you have back ups of children's health information and school contact information in a quick and convenient place is something you can do now before you have to worry about being out of town.

Money issues consistently cause problems for people deployed for even a short amount of time. Basic money and paperwork issues can easily be dealt with any time of the year. It is important to ensure that you and others can readily access your money no matter where you might be serving. Now is a great time to discuss any questions or concerns you might have with our finance personnel.

Make sure wills and power of attorneys are up to date. List your accounts, any 401k information, and mortgage and automobile payments and put them with your life insurance, childcare information and car insurance information. It is a major time saver when everything is in one convenient place.

Now that all of your paperwork is in order, it is also a great time to deal with the little issues that can become a huge drama. Take some time with your spouse and figure out where things like

the circuit breaker is located. Make sure a family member knows how to shut off the water to the house and knows where the gas control valve is located. Decide who to call to fix the water heater, furnace, or air conditioner.

What you least expect is almost always guaranteed to happen. Learn how to start the lawn mower, what is the special blanket your child has to have in the evenings, or where should someone take your pet in an emergency. Many of our short little trips are meant to be fun, educational, and assist in your career here. Do not let yourself be distracted by things that could be fixed by a little quick preparation.

Family Readiness Calendar

April 2, 10:00am - Pre-Mobilization briefing - Capital Plaza Hotel Homestead Room (Please RSVP so we can provide your lunch)

April 2, 7:00pm - 190th Dining Out - Capital Plaza Hotel (Wing Event)

April 3, 1:00pm - Wing Family Program Volunteer Meeting - Capital Plaza Hotel

April 4, 6:00 pm - Parenting with Love and Logic - Building 673

April 21, 6:30pm - 190th Volunteer Recognition Dinner - Abouds at Western Hills, Casual event, everyone welcome, please RSVP

June 4 - Friends and Family Day at the 190th ARW

August 6 - Operation KUDOS (Mock Deployment Exercise for Kids) - 190th ARW

2005 KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD SUMMER CAMPS

June 16 – 19
Ages 13 - 18
Teen Camp
Forest Park, Topeka
\$10 per camper

June 24 - 26
Ages 6 - 8
Junior Jamboree
Camp Webster, Salina
\$5 per camper
Adult must attend with child

July 18 - 22
Ages 9 - 12
Operation: Kids Camp
KSRTI, Salina
\$50 per camper

Please contact Tonya in the Wing Family Program Office or SPC Tuesday Erwin at Tuesday.erwin@ks.ngb.army.mil for an enrollment form.

members that indexed where the various financial files are kept in order to facilitate locating files when the inspectors asked for them.

Overall, the 190th ARW scored a Satisfactory on the UCI with the areas of Self-Inspection and Plans and Programs scoring an excellent.

O-Plan 8044 Inspection

The O-PLAN 8044 inspection tested our ability to accomplish our O-PLAN 8044 taskings within the constraints of a peacetime environment and a limited timeframe. Operations, Maintenance, Security Forces, Wing Plans, and Command Post were the major players in this exercise, with support from several other Wing agencies.

"All of the coordination between Maintenance, Operations and Security Forces really paid off," said Col. Deborah Rose, 190th ARW Vice Commander.

After observing an 8044 exercise at another unit where Maintenance utilized a tracking program, Maintenance and Operations put together a plan for a computer based program to track aircraft and aircrew readiness. Staff Sgt Patrick

Sampson, Comm Flight, developed the program implementing this plan. The program allows the Crisis Action Team to view the entire process from the Command Post, ensuring we meet our timelines. The IG inspectors were so impressed with the program that they requested a copy to take back to AMC!

Overall, the 190th ARW scored a Satisfactory on the O-Plan 8044 Inspection.

Maintenance Standardization Evaluation Program Inspection

The Air National Guard's MSEP team inspected the Aircraft Maintenance Group. Senior Master Sgt. Joe Montgomery, Quality Assurance Superintendent for the 190th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was the liaison between the Wing and the MSEP team.

Montgomery said the inspection was very thorough and the inspection team brought a wealth of knowledge with them to Forbes. "They are from numerous units," he said. "This facilitates the exchange of experienced based knowledge between them and us. It's a win/win situation for all of us," he added.

Montgomery said the Maintenance Group learned a lot from participating in the inspection. "They have given us a lot of information with which to fine tune our program," he said.

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According to Col. Gregg Burden, 190th Wing Commander, the inspection process provides the organization the tools it needs to baseline its programs as well as a way to identify areas for improvement.

"I firmly believe that this unit is on the right track in terms of self-inspection and compliance. We have come a long way over the past 12 months. The self-inspection program that is now in place at the 190th will allow us to continue to improve as well as providing commanders the tools they need to validate the process."

Dining Out



"What to Wear"

Officers should wear the Mess Dress Uniform

Enlisted can wear either the Mess Dress or the Semi-Formal Dress Uniform.

For more information on uniform requirements see AFI 36-2903 (available on the Air Force Publications website: www.e-publishing.af.mil)



~ DINING OUT RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ~

Everyone attending the 190th Dining Out on April 2, 2005 can look forward to a very enjoyable evening. Should, by some unfortunate circumstance, an infraction of the "Rules of The Mess" happen to be violated, here are some helpful hints to make your voyage to the Grog a bit more pleasant.

Upon direction from the President, members of the Mess who have violated any of the rules of the Mess must complete the following:

1. Post themselves in front of the Grog Bowl facing the head table and then salute the head table.
2. Do an about face, grab a cup, and fill to the level of prescribed punishment with Grog.
3. Do another about face, raise cup and toast "TO THE MESS," then drink the entire contents.
4. Then turn the cup upside-down above your head in full view of the Mess.
5. Do an about face and return the cup to the table.
6. Do another about face, salute the head table and return in silence to your seat.

Mentoring program to roll out this summer

By Senior Master Sgt. Phil Mahan
190th ARW Human Resource Advisor

Mission Driven Mentoring is being readied for members to participate in for the 190th Air Refueling Wing. The anticipated time frame is either August or September UTA. Initially mentoring focus will be in the U. S. Air Force's sixteen enduring qualities of Leadership. Later, it will encompass "content" of your AFSC area.

As a preparatory step, those interested may fill out a Mentoring Interest Profile. The form takes three to five minutes to complete. It is very general and is used to let me know that you may be interested in knowing more about the mentoring program.

Most of us, whether traditional or full-time guard members, mentor or have been mentored in some fashion. I could not have been as successful in my civilian or military career if it had not been for someone who took a little time to "show me the ropes." With current world issues as they are, it is now more important for us to help develop leadership

in all of our younger airmen. There also may be experienced airmen who are in new career fields; they need that support as well. This will be a formal mentoring experience. Time commitments will vary upon an individual needs and interests.

Now for the first step in the process; if you are interested in becoming either a mentor or mentee (protégé), or if you could be both a mentor and mentee, go to the website and enter the code that is unique to the 190th (ANG-CVYNDC7KIHE). It is alright if you complete the form and later decide not to participate in the program.

Colaboro is the name of the company the ANG has contracted with to facilitate the mentoring process. Dr. William A. Gray of the University in British Columbia, Canada, is the professor who developed the program over 20 years ago. After I had been introduced to the mentoring program, which is done "on-line," I was impressed. It is user friendly, it has sustenance, and I believe it to be the tool to help our 190th guard family.

Enduring Leadership Competencies

Personal Leadership

- 1-Exercise Sound Judgment
- 2-Adapt and Perform under Pressure
- 3-Inspire Trust
- 4-Lead Courageously
- 5-Assess Self

Leading People/Teams

- 6-Foster Effective Communication
- 7-Drive Performance through Shared Vision, Values, and Accountability
- 8-Influence through Win/Win Solutions
- 9-Mentor and Coach for Growth and Success
- 10-Promote Collaboration and Teamwork
- 11-Partner to Maximize Results

Leading the Institution

- 12-Shape Air Force Strategy and Direction
- 13-Command Organizational and Mission Success through Enterprise Integration
- 14-Embrace Change and Transformation
- 15-Drive Execution
- 16-Attract, Retain, and Develop Talent

Editors Note:

The mentoring website is located at <http://angmip.colaboro.net/jsp/Index.jsp>

Coyote Heritage ~ Cont.

cation of drawing the face within could be avoided. Dozens of sketches were drawn at this stage, as the interested parties tried to combine all of the elements of the patch. The sketches were used to help choose the patch that best represented the unit.

It wasn't until late 1970 or early 1971 that a pattern finally emerged. A gold winged helmet, superimposed on a dark blue tornado, passing through a light blue sky, was chosen as the final design. A description had to be drawn up and submitted to the Air Force for approval. The descrip-

tion had to include explanations of the symbolism in both the objects shown and the colors chosen. The most difficult hurdle to overcome was the red outline of the tornado. It was designed to liven up a flat background, but that wasn't the sort of explanation the Air Force would accept. The Air Force finally accepted the design of the patch in September of 1971 and the 190th had an insignia of its very own.

The patch remained unchanged until January of 2000 when it was updated to reflect the unit's designation as an Air Refueling Wing.



The 190th ARW unit patch. The patch will be issued at the April UTA and will be worn on the left breast pocket of the BDU. They will be distributed through unit First Sergeants.

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS MAX ELLIS



Organization: 190th Maintenance Operations Flight

Job Title: Maintenance Data System Analysis

Main Responsibilities: Database management and reviewing maintenance data for adverse trends.

Civilian Career: Enrolling to be a student at Washburn University.

Education: Graduate of Royal Valley High school in Hoyt, KS.

Military Experience: 1/2 Year in the military and joined the 190th ARW in May 2004

Goals and Ambitions: Progressing in my current job and achieving my 7 level skill. I would one day like to create media the whole world can see.

Hobbies and Activities: Spending time with friends and family, video games and computers.

Most Memorable 190th Moment: "Coming back from basic training & tech school and joining the 190th in the middle of MSET inspections.

FYI

Retirement News

According to Defense Finance and Accounting Service: Military Retired Pay Newsletter (December 2004), Congress has approved legislation that will:

Permit retirees with at least 20 years of service who are rated at 100 percent disabled by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to receive their full military retired pay and VA disability compensation with no reduction effective Jan. 1, 2005.

Congress has approved legislation that, over a three and half year period, will eliminate the Social Security Offset reduction applied to the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuity. This will eliminate the annuity reduction from **55 percent to 35 percent** when the annuitant reaches age **62**. The reduction will be phased in starting October 2005, affected annuitants whose annuity had been reduced to 35 percent will see their annuities **increased** to the **40 percent** level. In April 2006, the annuities will be **increased** to **45 percent**, in April 2007 they will **increase** to **50 percent**, and in April 2008 they will be **fully restored** to the **55 percent** level.

Retired members currently paying for the Supplemental SBP (SSBP) will see a corresponding decrease in their SBP costs as the elimination of the Social Security Offset reduction is phased in. The SSBP costs will cease effective Nov. 1, 2004.

\$ Finance News \$

Important Finance Numbers

- Military Pay: 861-4543
- Travel Pay: 861-4548 / 4795
- Civilian Pay: 861-4544

Hours Of Operation

Mon - Fri (& UTAs)
0730-1600

To view your LES online visit myPay:
<http://www.dfas.mil/mypay>



UTA Pay Dates:

March UTA: Pays 30 March 2005
April UTA: Pays 13 April 2005
May UTA: Pays 18 May 2005

National Day of Prayer Breakfast



Sunday, May 8th
Coyote Cafe
\$2.00 per person
(pay at the door)
0730: Breakfast
0800: Program

Special Guest Speaker

Danan Hughes
Former Wide Receiver
Kansas City Chiefs '93-98
For more information, please call the
Chapel Services office at x4001

Promotions

SrA

Erin M. Baker, 117th ARS
Justina Call, OSF
Karl Johnsonpickett, 127th WF
Daniel J. Kirksey, CES
Latosha S. Ramos, SFS
John C. Steinert, SFS
Ashley N. Stewart, MDG
Mindy L. Willis, SFS
Cale R. Yost, OPS



TSgt

Robert D. Campos, CES
Jeffrey A. Christen, MXS
Gregory M. Tonn, MXS



MSgt

Gary A. Holliday, Safety
Scott A. Hummel, LRS
Denise Montgomery, MDG



SMSgt

Edmund Weatherford, MXS



SSgt

Sean E. Huntsman, CES
Nicholas A. Schmidt, SFS



Enlistments

Penny A. Jamvold, 190th LRS
Enlistment Date: 4 Feb 05

Corey M. Beckwith, 190th LRS
Enlistment Date: 4 Feb 05

Garbriel W. Kniebler, 190th LRS
Enlistment Date: 10 Feb 05

Stephen E. Agnelli, 190th LRS
Enlistment Date: 10 Feb 05

Cameron C. Taylor, 190th MXS
Enlistment Date: 22 Feb 05

Officer Appointments

1Lt Michaela A. Parsel, 190th MDG
Appointment Date: 4 Mar 2005

2Lt Brian A. Correll, 190th Stu Flt
Appointment Date: 18 Feb 2005

190th Chapel Services

Protestant: 0800 - 0830
Latter Day Saints: 1100 - 1130
Catholic: 1345 - 1415
The Base Chapel is located on the
3rd floor of Hangar 662.

Photo / Video Authorization Policy

Do you plan on taking photos or video on the 190th ARW property? If so please ensure that you have received the proper authorization and documentation.

- Step 1: Receive a Photo/Video Authorization letter from the Community Manager's Office
- Step 2: Receive Security Forces endorsement
- Step 3: Ensure that you have proper identification, a copy of the authorization letter and escort



Retirements

MSgt Bobby Bufford, 190th CES
Retirement Date: 21 February 2005

MSgt. Jeffrey Marks, 190th SFS
Retirement Date: 28 February 2005

MSgt. Daniel Thompson, 190th MXS
Retirement Date: 6 February 2005

TSgt. Carol J. Burris, 190th MXS
Retirement Date: 27 January 2005

TSgt. Terry McDaniel, 190th MOF
Retirement Date: 6 February 2005

Boomers Needed

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a Boom Operator with the 190th, please help.

We are currently accepting applications for a traditional position. Some incentive bonuses do apply for this career field.

Please contact the following for more information:

CMSgt May: 861-4559
SMsgt. Perry: 861-4638
SMsgt. Treinen: 861-4751
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Coyote Cafe Menu

Saturday April 2

Grilled Chicken Breast
Smothered Pork Chops
Rice Pilaf
Oven Browned potatoes
Corn on the Cob
Mixed Vegetables
Dinner Rolls
Salad Bar
Potato Bar

Sunday April 3

Chicken Alfredo W/ Egg Noodles
Beef Lasagna
Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Green Beans
Glazed Carrots
Breadsticks

Desserts

Oatmeal raisin cookies
Peanut butter cookies
Lemon cake
Apple cobbler
Blueberry cobbler

Hotel for April

Capital Plaza

Wing Commander's Call

There will be a Wing Commander's Call on Saturday, April 2 at 0800 in hanger 662.

Do you have news to share?

The Coyote Log welcomes articles and captioned photos relevant to members and retirees of the 190th ARW. Submissions must be accurate in fact, and will be edited for clarity and length. Articles will be published as space permits.

The deadline for submission is Sunday of the UTA prior to the month the article will be published. Submit articles as e-mail attachments in Microsoft Word format. Photographs must be non-copyrighted prints or 300 dpi or higher TIF or JPG images. Articles and images should be sent to:

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